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ITALIAN VICTORY IN MOUNTAINOUS CALLO

After Weeks of Hammering at the Austrian Positions With Their Big Guns

ALMOST WITHIN STRIKING DISTANCE OF TRENT

One of the Italians' Chief Objects of the War-There Has Been Vicious Fighting in the Artois Region in France, in Champagne and Along Both Banks of the Meuse Above Dun-Entire Crew of 22 Perished in the Flames of the Zeppelin Brought Down by French Near Brabantle-Roi-No Change in the Situation Along Russian Front in Galicia, But the Russians Are Still Pressing the Turks Hard in Armenia.

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ANNUAL BANQUET OF

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S. OF A. IN BRIDGEPORT

Dampened by Knowledge That Prom

inent Members Had Been Injured.

annual banquet of the Sons of the

American Revolution of Connecticu was dampened here this afternoon by

the knowledge that several prominen

membesr had been injured in the Mil-ford wreck. The list of speeches was shortened and the dinner was partak-

en of with an air of grief and sym-pathy evident. About 150 delegates were present. Louis Eames of New

New Jersey society, were guests

Among the speakers were Mayor C

B. Wilson of this city; Mrs. John L. Buel, state regent, D. A. R.; Wilson H.

Lee, president of the Connecticut se

Alfred B. Beers, past commander-in

pine Avalanche.

-Advices received here from St. Mo-ritz say that Henry Hoffmann of New

York is missing and probably has been

Face Each Other Before the Senate

Judiciary Committee.

and anti-suffragists faced each other

before the senate judiciary committee today in advocating and opposing the Slater bill intended to give women the

right to vote for presidential electors. The suffragists were headed by Mrs. Harriet Stanton Blatch, chairman of

the committee of the women's suf-frage party, which sponsored the measure. Those opposed were led by

Mrs. Alice Hill Chittenden. The hear-ing was the first this year at which

suffragists and anti-suffragists have appeared formally before a legislative committee, although representatives of

both factions have been busy all ses-

sion working quietly among the legis-

Brigadier General Henry Clay Cook Fall River, Mass., Feb. 22.—Brigadier General Henry Clay Cook, U. S. A., (retired), a veteran of the Civil war and an Indian fighter of note, died at

his home today at the age of 79 years Death followed an illness of three

OBITUARY. .

Berne, via Paris, Feb. 22, 6.45 p. m

NEW YORK MISSING

Mr. Hoffman

ACTIVE IN ALBANY

HENRY HOFFMAN OF

I was on my cemetery."

Bridgeport, Conn., Feb. 22.-The 26th

The Italians, after weeks of hammering at the Austrian positions with their big guns, have captured the mountalous region of Callo, in the Sugans valley and also have occupied the towns of Roncegno and Ronchi.

By their new acquisition of Terrain the Italians now are almost within striking distance of one of their chief objectives of the war—the city of along the front in Russia and Galicia. mits the loss of this Zeppelin.

There is no change in the situation along the front in Russia and Galicia. objectives of the war—the city of Trent—which lies, protected on the north, east and south by a line of forts, fifteen miles west of the cap-

Victous Fighting in France.

arms at Erzerum, says the retirement to positions west of the fortress took place after the Turks had destroyed positions to the east of Erzerum and Again there has been vicious fighting in the Artols region of France, in Champagne and along both banks of the Meuse above Dun. To the east of also fifty cld cannon, which they could not take away with them. Denial is made that the Russians captured 1,000 cannon and 80,000 prisoners. A semi-Souchez, after a heavy bombardment the Germans attacked and captured 800 metres of French trenches and took seven officers and 319 men pris-

So powerful was the attack that the Germans, seven battallons strong, not alone occupied first line trenches but at points gained access to some of the communicating trenches. The French by a counter-attack, it is officially announced by Paris, succeeded in driving out the Germans from all but a few of these positions,

Serb frontier. The Bulgarians were forced to retire after a lively engage-ment, leaving half a dozen prisoners in the hands of the French. the Germans suffering heavy casual-Germans Broke Into French Trenches large number of aircraft is reported At Brabant-Sur-Meuse the Germans to have arrived in the Mediterranean according to Italian despatches print-

FRENCH LINER LA FAYETTE GOT WIRELESS WARNING Telling of German Commerce Raiders

on Southern Sea Lanes

French liner La Fayette, which arrived here today from Bordeaux, reported that a wireless warning was heard on Feb. 14, when she was two days out, telling of German commerce raiders on southern sea ianes. The warning, according to the officers, was first received by shore stations from some unknown ship at sea, telling that she was being chased by a raider. The warning was sent out broad-cast, and relayed from one vessel to another, the La Fayette passing it on to her sister ship, the Chicago, then nearing the French coast

A news cable received here two days ago said that the French liner Chicago reported on her arrival at Bordeaux, having been chased by a German commerce raider. The despatch said the raider was sighted on Feb. 14, but the Chicago eluded her after a long chase by her superior

PROSPECTS BRIGHT FOR ENDING ANSONIA STRIKE Strikers Demand 20 Per Cent. Offered Probably Has Been Killed in the Al 10-A Compromise Probable.

of ending the strike of 2,500 employes of the American Brass company were considered bright tonight, following conferences today between the strikers' committee and the company offi-cials. While the strikers demand the equivalent of 2 Oper cent, increase in wages and the company has offered a 10 per cent increase, it is believed that a compromise of 15 per cent. raise will be effected.

are missing. Broken ski stocks have been found in the region over which strikers' committee will hold a Mr. Hoffmann and his guides are supmeeting tomorrow to consider the adposed to have gone.

When he returned from a dangerous visability of accepting the compromise offer. Company officials were so confident of a settlement tonight that they were hopeful of opening the excursion recently, who is said to have been a skilled Alpine climber, was asked where he had been and is said to have replied: mills on Thursday of this week,

ARREST IN WATERBURY

ON MURDER CHARGE SUFFRAGISTS AND ANTIS Of Man Wanted at Monterey, Mass for Killing of Lafayette Battelle.

Waterbury, Conn., Feb. 22 .- Michael Gleason, also known as Michael Ryan, wanted in Monterey, Mass., for the al-leged murder of Lafayette Battelle, a Civil war veteran, on Dec. 12 last, is under arrest here. He was pointed out to the police last night by a man who said he knew Gleason in Monterey. Gleason is said to have admitted that he hit Battelle with a piece of stovewood and took his watch. The time-plece was recovered in a Hartford pawnshop.

CRUISER TENNESSEE IS

GOING TO BUENOS AIRES With the American Delegation to the International High Commission.

Washington, Feb. 22.—The cruiser Tennessee in Haitian waters has been ordered to New York to be overhaul-ed for its trip to Buenos Aires with American delegation to the International High Commission, which convenes there in June. The Tennes-see will be relieved by the gunboat which becomes temporarily the flagship of Admiral Caperton's cruiser squadron.

Cabled Paragraphs

Bombs Dropped on Luneville. Paris, Feb. 22, 3.10 p. m.—A Zeppe-lin dropped bombs last night on Lune-ville, 15 miles southeast of Nancy. The damage was slight.

Washington Honored in Paris. Paris, Feb. 22, 12.20 p. m.—A wreath was placed at the foot of the statue of Washington in Place d'Iena, this morning by H. Cleveland Coxe, deputy consul-general in Paris, on behalf of the Empire State Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

DR. D. A. GORDON, FOUNDER OF EUGENIC SOCIETY, DEAD

His Marriage was a Practical Test of New York, Feb. 22.—Dr. David Al-yn Gorton, founder of the Eugenic society of America, lied suddenly at

his home ein Brooklyn today at the As I ough long prominent for his advocacy of eugenics and a fellow of the New York Academy of Mesicine, in addition to being wilely known as writer of medical subjects. Dr. Certton came into public notice when be married his secretary, Miss Bertha Rehbein, in 1911. She was less than half his age and before marrying her he carefully studied her family his-tory. At the time it was said that the unusual wedding was a romance, but Dr. Gorton discussed the union scientifically with his wife before marriage and they decided that it should be a practical test of eugenic theories. On April 25, 1912, about a year after they were married, twins were born to them. These are David A. Gorton, Jr., and Eleanora Gorton, both of whom are said to be exceptional child-

BRITISH STEAMER

AFIRE AT ST. JOHN. Blaze on Loaded Vessel is Soon Under Control.

St. John, N. B., Feb. 22.—The British steamer Arracan, loaded and in the outer harbor ready to sail, was damaged by fire of undetermined origin early today. When the flames were first discovered in the refrigerator plant, the Arracan called for aid and vessels with men and apparatus were rushed to her assistance. Two hours later it was stated that the fire was under control.

The partition was partly burned through, and the heavy metal plating on the outside was warped. It was believed that the damage slight. The Arracan sai Liverpool January 17. nage would sailed fi

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY

IN NATIONAL CAPITAL High Government Officials Paid Tribute to Continental Leader.

Washington, Feb. 22.—George Washington's birthday was generally observed in the national capital today. President Wilson and other high gov-ernment officials paid tributes to the memory of the continental leader.

The day was virtually a holiday here with all the executive departments of the government closed, most of them all day and some after noon.

The chief celebration was that held under the auspices of various patriotic societies in which the president. Secretaries Lansing and Daniels and

part. CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES

FROM MILFORD WRECK Have Already Been Filed With Officials of New Haven Road.

Bridgeport, Conn., Feb. 22.—Many claims for damages resulting from the Milford wreck have already been filed here with officials of the New Haven road. A. S. May, treasurer of the New Haven, and H. M. French, claim attorney for the road, were busy among the injured here this afternoon and evening. It was said tonight that York city, president of the Empire State society S. A. R.; and John Mer-rill of Orange, N. J., president of the and evening. It was said tonight that about 125 claims, aggregating nearly \$500,000, had already been put in, with the prospect of more to follow. The claims range all the way from loss of personal property to that of death ciety, S. A. R.; Francis H. Green, state normal school, Westchester, Pa.; and from injuries.

chief of the Grand Army of the Re- GENERAL EDWIN S. GREELEY IS IN A SERIOUS CONDITION From Shock and Injury to His Side in Milford Wreck.

brigadier general, manufacturer and Thursday, very prominent in the Sons of the Revolution, is in a very serious con- CHINESE REBEL LEADERS dition late tonight in the Stratfield hotel here. He is about 84 years old and the shock and injury to his side, suf-fered in the Milford wreck, make his physicians very doubtful regarding his recovery. Nobody has been permitted to see him since he was brought here. killed in an avalanche in the Enga-dine Mountains. Mr. Hoffmann's wife and their daughter are at St. Moritz. Mr. Hoffmann, who is described as being about 40 years old, left last Saturday for a ski excursion, accompanied by two Swiss guides, who also TWO YEARS IN PENITENTIARY

FOR ALBANY BANK TELLER.

William T. Brice Allowed to Plead Guilty to Conspiracy.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 22.—William T.
Brice, bookkeeper and teller of the
First National ban kof Amsterdam,
was sentenced to two years in the
pentientiary at Atlanta Co. in the
pentientiary at A penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga., in the federal court here today. Brice, who was a government witness in the trial and conviction of three others, and who was indicted for embezzlement, was allowed to plead guilty to con-spiracy to defraud the institution.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 22.—Suffragists CARS IN COLLISION

IN BOSTON SUBWAY Conductor On One of Them Was Seriously Hurt.

Boston, Feb. 22.-Three cars were in llision near the North Station this afternoon as one of them was enter-ing the subway. One of the con-ductors, Peter C. Hannagan, was se-

riously hurt.
A Bay State Street Railway company car was passing under the station in Causeway street and about to enter the subway when a Reservoir car came directly behind and a Pleasant Street car immediately following. The Bay State car stopped because the trolley flew off and the next car jammed into it, bumped by the third

Nine Men Injured Record Made by **On British Steamer**

WHEN A SMALL GAS BLOW 20 MINUTES FROM DAVENPORT, TANK EXPLODED

UNDERGOING REPAIRS In Drydock on the Brooklyn Water-

front-None of the Injured Was Se

to the Vessel. New York, Feb. 22.—Nine men were injured this afternoon when a small gas blow tank exploded in the hold of the British tramp steamer Stormount, which is undergoing repairs in drydock on the Brooklyn waterfront. All ex-cept one of the injured were removed to hospitals, suffering from burns.

None, however, was seriously hurt, according to physicians. The blow tank was used for riveting. No damage was caused to the vessel, which is owned by the Montreal Transportation Co., Ltd., of Montreal. BRITISH BLOCKADE TO

BE RUN BY ONE MAN. Lord Robert Cecil Mentioned for New Cabinet Position.

London, Feb. 22, 10.22 p. m.—The government, through the Marquis of Lansdowne, announced in the house of lords tonight that it had decided to turn over all questions connected with the blockade of Germany to one man, who would rank as a cabinet minister It is understood that the new post wil go to Lord Robert Cecil, who, since the formation of the coalition government, has been under-secretary for foreign affairs. He will retain this post, joining the cabinet as blockade minister. The new minister will be charged with the administration of the orderin-council regulating the blockade, as well as responsibility for the general policy and practice of the government with respect to trade passing into or from neutral countries.

wide experience and a young man, as members of the British cabinet go. HOCKEY PLAYERS HELD UP BY WRECK AT MILFORD. Started in on Rescue Work, But Police

Ordered Them Away.

Boston, Feb. 22.—Players represent-ng the hockey club of New York, who filled an engagement in this city to-night, were held up for several hours today at the scene of the Milford. Conn., wreck. W. F. Bull, one of their number, in telling of their experi-ences, said that they were on the spot twenty minutes after the accident octurred and started in on the rescue work, when the police ordered them

away. "We saw at least five bodies," he said. "One lay beneath a coach which had only its floor intact. Beneath another coach lay the body of a woman The car had been on fire, mes had been extinguished before reaching her. One man's body was jammed between two coaches. Rails and ties were twisted and jumbled and all tracks were blocked."

ATTORNEYS FAILED TO APPEAR IN OPPOSITION TO BRANDEIS When Senate Sub-Committee Met

Continue Its Investigation. oston people opposing the confirma-on of Louis D. Brandeis as associate justice of the supreme court failed to appear today when the senate sub-committee met to continue its investi-gation of the nomination, and the earing was adjourned until tomor-

Austin G. Fox, representing the protestants, told the committee last Fri-day that he would provide today a summary of the charges he expected prove and a list of witnesses he

anted examined. The committee today summoned sev eral witnesses to testify Thursday and Friday. At the suggestion of Fox, made last week, Mark Sullivan and Ellmore Patterson of Collier's Weekly and Bridgeport, Conn., Feb. 22.—Edwin Waddill Catchings of J. Pierpont Mor. Greeley of New Haven, Civil war gan & company were asked to appear

ARE PUT TO DEATH

Failure of Insurgent Attack on Hunan Governor's Mansion.

Peking, Feb. 22.-Rebels made an Peking, Feb. 22.—Rebels made an attack yesterday on the Governor's mansion at Chang-sha, capital of the province of Hu-nan. They were re-pulsed and captured. The leaders

The province of Hu-nan is south ern China. This is the first indication that the revolutionary movement, be-Disorders have been reported previously in the neighboring districts of Yunnan, Sze-chuen, Kwei-chow and Kwang-tung. In a statement to the Associated Press last week President Yuan Shi-Kai described the encounters with the rebels as skirmishes, and said the malcontents would be suppressed without difficulty.

WEAKENING OF LEVEES BELOW BATON ROUGE

Occupied the Flood Workers in Louisi-New Orleans, Feb. 22.—Weakening the levee at Southwood, La., 18

of the levee at Southwood, La., 18 miles below Baton Rouge, and ald for the marooned inhabitants in western Tensas and Concordia parishes occu-pled the flood workers today. Reports from Southwood stated that action was being taken to prevent a break in the levee which has been weakened by a section of capping cav-

work was continuing in the rescue of inhabitants from the flooded areas to western Tensas and Concordia parish-The conductor on the first car was caught, and suffered a gevere fracture of this left leg.

Movements of Steamships.
Naples, Feb. 14.—Arrived: Steamer America, New York,

inhabitants from the flooded areas for western Tensas and Concordia parishes. Although the water was reported today as rising in Franklin and Cataboula parishes, as well as Tensas and Concordia, it was expected the Red river would show a decrease within the main portion of the Atlantic fleet near Guantaname.

Radio Message

IOWA, TO HOAQUIM, WASH.

SATISFIED WITH TEST

Handling Government riously Hurt-No Damage Was Done Messages..

> Davenport, Ia., Feb. 22.—Twenty ninutes from Davenport to Hoaquim, Wash., was the record established by the radio message on preparedness, sent throughout the country last night. The message left the station of W. H. Kirwin, formerly of the United States army, at 11 o'clock, central time, and reached Hoaquim at Pacific time. It was delivered to the Puget Sound navy yard.

Adjustments Were Perfect. "I could hear the stations all over the country last night," Mr. Kirwin sald today. "The adjustments were perfect and stations for 300 miles

could hear me." Mr. Kirwin is satisfied as a result of the test that there are a large number of wireless operators in the United States capable of handling the gov-ernment messages with a high degree of accuracy.

THREE WOMEN AND TWO MEN PERISH IN FIRE, Which Destroys the Colonial Restaurant, New York.

New York, Feb. 22.—Several people are believed to have lost their lives in a fire which destroyed the Colonial restaurant in the theatre district early today The upper floors of the five story building were occupied by lodg-

According to the police three wome and two men are known to have been burned to death. They are believed to have been actors and actresses, but Lord Robert Cecil is a lawyer of the bodies have not yet been identified. There were several sensational escapes as the flames rushed upward through the building from the basement. One man who jumped from a window on the second floor was seriously injured. There were twenty persons in the house at the time, all actors. actors

The bodies of a man and a woman were found on the top floor at the foot of a ladder leading to the roof. In the hallway on the first floor the bodies oftwo more men were found and the body of a fourth man, burned beyond recognition, was discovered in a bed on the second floor.

AMBASSADOR MORGENTHAU

ARRIVES IN NEW YORK. Received Note From Sec'y Lansing Advising Caution in Speech.

New York, Feb. 22 .- Henry Morgenthau, United States ambassador Frederik VIII. The ambassador taken off the steamer on a revenue

In an address to Mayor Mitchel's re ception committee, which met him, Mr. Morgenthau said he had just received a note from Secretary Lansing advising him to be guarded in his speech regarding foreign and diplomatic affairs. He said he would leave New York for Warhington tonight. His leave of absence ends in sixty days but it is understood that he will request its extension to the first of May. Mr. Morgenthau said that at first his duties in Congrantinople were merely routine. "Soon after the war broke out, however," he continued, "I saw it was necessary in a way, to make an umbrella of the American flag. I made it my duty to see that no one pulled much of the umbrella over him-

ANNUAL CONVENTION OF KNIGHTS OF WASHINGTON Held at Meriden-Delegates From Various Parts of Country.

Meriden Conn., Feb. seventh annual convention of the Knights of Washington was held here today with delegates present from va-rious parts of the country. At nine o'clock this morning the session opened with a communion service and was brought to a close this evening with o banquet. Because of having sprained a ligament in his leg, Right Rev. Chauncey Brewster, bishop of Con-necticut, was unable to be present. The national officers elected are as fol-

General, Rev. Floyd S. Kenyon, West Haven; lleutenant-general, Charles J. Chamberlain, West Haven; grand chaplain, George W. Barrows, Chelsea, Mass.; grand marshal, Captain F. C. Spaulding, Chicago; clerk, William D. Henn, North Haven; paymaster, W. H. Henrich, Meriden; committee of endowment fund for three years, Colonel F. L. Whitehead, Stamford

VETERAN ODD FELLOWS HELD ANNUAL MEETING. David M. Boyd of Derby Elected Chief Veteran.

Waterbury, Conn., Feb. 22.—The Veteran Odd Fellows' association held its annual meeting here today. The following officers were elected: Chief veteran, David M. Boyd of Derby; vice veteran, Lorin M. Brown of Meriden; secretary, Frank R. Upson of Southington; treasurer, John B. Judson of New Haven; directors, Grant W. Klestaad of New Haven, Selah G. Blakeman of Shelton, Karl Win-ter of this city, Sidney W. Challenger of Bridgeport and Samuel Prince of Bridgeport. The next annual meeting will be held in New Haven.

FATAL EXPLOSION ON BATTLESHIP DELAWARE

Evaporator Accident Kills Battleship Fireman During Manoeuvres.

Condensed Telegrams

Lassen Peak, California, is showing

William J. Bryan has acquiesced on the renomination of President Wilson

Mahlon D. Thatcher, Pueblo, Col. millionaire banker, died. He was 76 years old. Six New York policemen were fined 15 days' pay and transferred for shooting crap.

Senator Johnson of Maine read General Washington's Farewell Ad-

ress in the senate. Waiters in many of the smaller owntown New York restaurants

have gone on strike. All the income tax cases before the upreme Court were disposed of in favor of the Government

Representative Baker, of Califor-tia read General Washington's Fare-vell Address in the House, Four men have been indicted, charg-with the murder of Barnet Baff, the independent poultry dealer

The River Meuse has overflowed its banks over a stretch of country in the neighborhood of Liege.

A fast mail steamship service between New York and South American

ports will soon be instituted. John Armstrong Chaloner, art pat ron, lawyer, historian and poet, is going in for thoroughbred hogs.

Premier Wilson has signed an ex equive order creating an inter-de-partmental board on coastal commun-Ten per cent. increase in wages of

elegraphers and station agents of the Nover Leaf Railroad, Ohio, has been George E. Miller, general superin-endent of the Lehigh Valley Transit ompany, die dat Allentown, Pa., aged

D. W. Brown of Mystic was elected president of the Connecticut Poultry-men's association at its annual meeting

A New York man sent back his li-cense notice because he found his fi-tance sitting in the lap of another

A telephone message from Tiahulilo stated that Villa troops under Canuto Reyes had been driven into the desert President Wilson prefers having the

proposed tariff commission consist of members appointed by himself and enirely non-partisan Julio Acosta, special envoy of the

Costa Rican government, passed through San Jose yesterday on his way to Washington. arrived at Rockland, Me., from New-port News to begin her official build-ers' acceptance trials.

Fire in the seed warehouse of the Willington Rennie Company, Toronto, damaged the firm's stock to the ex-

to tent of about \$200,000 Sinking of the British steamship Dingle is reported by Lloyds. There probably is only one survivor. No de-

alls have been received. The plant of the Burlington, Vt., Rendering company was partly burned ground to death a moment before the and a quantity of fertilizer damaged. awful crash came to the stalled ex-The loss is estimated at \$25,000.

One boy on a bobsled smashed into an automobile and was killed, and another went over an embankment on second coasting accident in New

ada has accepted an invitation to ad-dress the Lawyers' Club of New York after the adjournment of Parlia-The British steamer Arracan, loaded and in the outer St. Johns' N. B., harbor ready to sail, was damaged by

Premier Sir Robert Borden of Can-

fire of undetermined origin early yes A public reception by the Govern-or and Mrs. McCall in the Hall of Flags at the State House was the principal observance of Washington's Published in Boston

Two deaths during the trip of the American Line steamer New York, which arrived at New York from England, encased in ice, were attributed to the rough passage.

Representations against the pres-ence of United States deputy marshals on the captured British liner Appam. were made to the State Department by the German embassy.

A call for a special meeting of stockholders of the Maine Centri rall-road, to be held on March 8, to take action on the issue of \$6,000,000 refunding bonds, has been sent out.

A reduction in the cost of producing shells in England will result in a sav-ing of 400,000 pounds weekly after June 1st: This statement was made in the house of commons yesterday

Thomas McGilton, a soldier in many wars and one of the last who wit-nessed the charge of the Light Bri-gade at Balaclava, will be buried with full military honors today at West

Reports from Salsburg say that 30 persons are still missing as a result of te avalanche in the Hochkoenib No further deaths have been region. reported in addition to the fifty-five

The 35-knot battle cruiser planned for the new naval program will be the finest and most powerful ships of their class in the world, Rear Admiral Badger of the general board told the House naval committee.

Endowments amounting to nearly one million dollars were announced a the Washington Day celebration of the University of Buffalo yesterday. These include \$500,000 from Mrs. Seymour H. Knox, and \$225,000 from General Edmund Hayes.

The Connecticut Postmasters' asset The Connecticut Postmasters asso-ciation at its annual meeting in Hart-ford yesterday elected the folowing of-ficers: President, Philip Troup, New Haven; vice presidents, M. H. Walsh, Middletown, Thomas F. Rourke, Un-ionville; secretary-treasurer, D. J. Teevan, Shelton.

Broken Air Hose Caused Bad Wreck

ON THE NEW HAVEN ROAD NEAR MILFORD YESTERDAY

NINE KILLED, 50 INJURED

It is Claimed That W. R. Curtis, Engineman of No. 5, Ran Past a Cautionary Signal 2,000 Feet in the Rear of the Stalled Express.

Milford, Conn., Feb. 22.—Eight per-sons lost their lives and fully fifty were more or less hurt in a rear-end collision of passenger trains on the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad here today. Four of the vic-tims were religional tims were railroad employes, two were passengers, a man and a woman, whose lives went out instantly in the terrific crash, and the others, also passengers, died in hospitals in Bridgeport and New Haven where they had been taken.

The Dead.

The dead are: W. R. Curtis, engineer. George L. Tourtellotte, flagman, Merrick, Mass. Patrick Collins, New York city, died n New Haven hospithal, Miss Susan B. Hyland, New Haven.

Charles E. Allen, Groton, Conn., died at New Haven hospital. Edward McGinnis, fireman,

Male passenger believed to be named Der Hovhenssian. One employe let unidentified. May be named Werner, who was deadhead-Joseph J. Frye, Springfield, Mass., Porter, died in Bridgeport hospital.

Trains Involved. The trains involved were No. 79, the Greenfield express, which is scheduled as the Connecticut River special, and No. 5, a local train for way points be-tween New Haven and New York, as former runs through to the latter

city without station stops. Broken Air Hose the Cause.

A broken air hose on the express between the electric motor which was hauling it and the leading car stalled the train on the westerly end of a curve and rock cut near the Woodmont station, and while there the local which was following rounded the curve and crashed into it at forty miles an

Claimed Engineman Ran Past Signal. It is claimed that W. R. Curtis, the engineman of No. 5, ran past a cautionary signal 2,000 feet in the rear of the express, and when he saw the home signal 300 feet in the rear of the express he could not hold his train and in an instant had every design and the same that the same of the express he could not hold his train and in an instant had every deal. hrough San Jose yesterday on his way to Washington.

The superdreadnought Pennsylvania prived at Rockland, Me., from New-port News to begin her official buildings acceptance trials.

Flagman Ground to Death.

Of many examples of fortitude and ommendable deeds done during the trying moments which accompanied the wreck, it is said that the death of George I. Tourtellote, flagman on the stalled train, stood out prominently. According to the story told, Tourtellotte went back with his red flag and saw the local approaching. He stood in the track waving the flag until it was too late to escape and he was ground to death a moment before the stood to the stood

Other Wrecks of Like Nature.

The peculiarity of the wreck in that involved a freight train was not without a parallel on the system. The first disaster in the long series which befell the company was on the Fair-field viaduct a few miles west on June 8, 1911, when a freight ran into another stalled train, both bound west, just when two freight trains were passing the point bound east. The impact caused the stalled freight train to buckle, and cars were thrown over involving the other trains. Then followed a few days later the Federal express wreck, with twelve persons killed including the engineers. ed, including the engineman, A. M. Curtis, who is not thought to have been related to Engineman Curtis who died at the throttle today. The wrecks on the road followed with distressing frequency until the series was ended on Sept. 2, 1913, at North Haven, when the Bar Harbor express was run into by the White Mountain express and twenty persons died. That was the day that Howard Elliott became president of the system, and no accident with loss of life to passengers had come until this wreck today. Four of the greater wrecks on the road in which many lives were snuffed out were of the rear-end kind.

Trains Were Both Off Schedule. The two trains involved in today's wreck were both off schedule upon arrival here from the east. No. 5, the local, was eleven minutes late, and The express left at 11.09 and the local at 11.10, the latter having station stops to make. At Woodmont the ex-press was three minutes in the lead and had crossed over to the outside westbound track so a freight could proceed west on the inner track. It was this freight which was involved in the wreck. The official

by at 11.22. Beyond Woodmont is the curve on which at the westerly end the express became stalled. Makeup of the Express.

time shows that the express passed Woodmont at 11.19 and the local went

The makeup of the express was a heavy engine, three steel coaches, three Pullmans, and then another steel coach added at New Haven. The crew were added at New Haven. The crew were John J. Kennedy, engineer; Charles Courts, fireman; George L. Tourtellotte, flagman, and E. T. Bray, conductor. The local had a smaller engine and five wooden coaches, three having been added at New Haven to accommodate the large number of persons bound for way points. The crew were W. R. Curtis, engineman; Edward McGinnis, fireman, and W. B. Brandt, conductor.

Express Stalled on a Curve The express had been stalled on the curve out of sight of the straightaway track from the Woodmont sta-tion. Three hundred feet behind it

was a signal which served as the "home" signal for No. 5 and 2,000 feet further back was another protecting signal for No. 79 which was the cautionary signal to No. 5. Trainmen (Continued on Page Three) Typhus fever has crossed Texas from Mexico.